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## **Advisory Announcement**

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## SOUTHERN NORTON SOUND SUBSISTENCE GILLNET SALMON FISHING TO REOPEN

Subsistence gillnet fishing will reopen at midnight Friday evening, July 22 in the marine and fresh waters of Subdistricts 5 and 6, Shaktoolik and Unalakleet Subdistricts. Subsistence gillnet fishing will be open 7 days a week with no mesh size restrictions.

Beach seining is allowed in Shaktoolik and Unalakleet Subdistricts 7 days a week through August 10. Salmon other than king salmon may be kept when beach seining in Subdistricts 5 and 6. All king salmon caught when beach seining must be returned immediately to water unharmed. Beach seines must have a mesh size of 4 ½ inches or smaller.

High water prevented counting for a couple days at some of the salmon escapement projects. Except for Solomon River and Kwiniuk River all projects are operational again.

Here are the cumulative salmon escapement counts:

Unalakleet River: 87 kings, 4,300 chums, 250 sockeyes, 2 silvers

North River: 1,050 kings, 1,000 chums, 660,000 pinks, 54 sockeyes, 9 silvers

Shaktoolik River: 969 kings, 13,000 chums, 1.4 million pinks, 147 sockeyes

Ungalik River: 645 kings, 15,000 chums, 550,000 pinks

Inglutalik River: 150 kings, 4,900 chums, 27,000 pinks

Kwiniuk River: 30 kings, 9,400 chums, 400,000 pinks, 15 sockeyes

Niukluk River: 42 kings, 34,000 chums, 290,000 pinks, 900 sockeyes

Eldorado River: 3 kings, 5,800 chums, 31,000 pinks, 13 sockeyes

Solomon River: 71 chums, 4,200 pinks

Nome River: 3 kings, 429 chums. 30,000 pinks, 9 sockeyes

Snake River: 3 kings, 1,600 chums, 26,000 pinks, 182 sockeyes, 1 silver

Pilgrim River: 17 kings, 900 chums, 3,300 pinks, 939 sockeyes